

Hongkong Telegraph

No. 3936

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1894.

THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.

Banking.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.
AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,195,000
PAID-UP £568,500

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.
INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS—
For 12 Months.....5 per cent.
" 6 ".....4 " "
" 3 ".....3 " "
JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 18th June, 1894. [120]

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £2,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP £251,093.15.0

BANKERS:
CAPITAL & COUNTRIES BANK, LIMITED.
HEAD OFFICE:
No. 3, PRINCE'S STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES:
BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI.

AGENCIES:
PENANG, SINGAPORE AND YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF INTEREST.
ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS
AND FIXED DEPOSITS can be ascertained
on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange
business transacted.

CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.
Hongkong, 6th November, 1893. [120]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—
D. Gillies, Esq., Chairman.
H. Stollert, Esq., Vice-Chairman.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq., Secretary.
Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
Hongkong, 21st October, 1893. [17]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000
RESERVE FUND £800,000
RESERVE FUND £275,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months.....5 per cent.
" 6 ".....4 " "
" 3 ".....3 " "
A. C. MARSHALL,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 17th May, 1894. [120]

Marine.

VICTORIA LODGE

OF HONGKONG No. 1026.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in the FRANKMANS
HALL, Zetland Street, on SATURDAY, the 27th
instant, at 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting
Brethren are cordially invited.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1894. [1318]

ZETLAND LODGE,

No. 125.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in the FRANKMANS
HALL, Zetland Street, on THURSDAY, the 27th
instant, at 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting
Brethren are cordially invited.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1894. [1344]

To be Let.

TO LET.

DWELLING HOUSES:
"BANKERS' MOUNT KELLET"
(FURNISHED)
"HIGH STREET" at MAGAZINE GAP.
"DUNHEVED" ROBEY ROAD,
FURNISHED.
No. 2, "A" TERRACE.
A HOUSE IN WEST END TERRACE,
BONHAM ROAD.
FLOORS IN BLUE BUILDINGS,
STREET AND STAMFORD STREET.
FLOORS IN No. 5, SHELLEY STREET.

GODOWNS:
BLUE BUILDINGS,
No. 74, PRAYA CENTRAL.

Apply to
**THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
& AGENCY Co., Ltd.**
Hongkong, 19th December, 1894. [131]

TO LET.

GODOWNS IN WANCHAI at the back of
McGARRON'S BARRACKS.
OFFICE, FIRST FLOOR, adjoining the
Underground Offices in Lee House Street
suitable for BROKERS and MERCHANTS.
DAVID BASSON, BROS. & Co.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1894. [130]

Insurances.

**THE
EQUITABLE
LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF
THE UNITED STATES.**

LONDON OFFICE:—
81, CHEAPSIDE, E.C.
ASSETS OVER £15,200,000
SURPLUS EXCEEDS £7,300,000

This Society originated the Tontine System
of Life Assurance, under which the premiums
paid form a lucrative investment, and not an
expense, affording provision for old age as well
as immediate family provision in the event of
death.

**ABSOLUTE SECURITY.
LOW PREMIUMS.
LARGE PROFITS.
ANNUITIES GRANTED ON MOST
FAVOURABLE TERMS.**

Before assuring elsewhere, send for Prospectus
and Illustrative Pamphlets.
SHEWAN & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1894. [1313]

**SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE
INSURANCE COMPANY OF
NEW ZEALAND.**

THE Underigned are prepared to accept
FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCES ON
favourable terms.
Current rates, and a guaranteed Bonus equal
to that paid by the local Offices.

S. J. DAVID & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1894. [435]

GENERAL NOTICE.

**THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)**
CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 \$833,333.33
EQUAL TO
RESERVE FUND \$315,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq., LO YUEN MOON, Esq.
LOO TAO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER:—HO AMEL.

**MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
World.**

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1894. [1310]

NOTICE.

**THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED £1,000,000
The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES ON GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 26th May, 1894. [1310]

Intimations.

JUST LANDED!

FRESH AUSTRALIAN BUTTER, in 1lb.
Glas J-v-a, 75c. per Jar.

FRESH AUSTRALIAN CHEESE, 55c. 1lb.

Also
NEW ZEALAND ROLLED BACON as before.
Will be cut in 1lb. and 2lb. pieces;
55c. a lb.—in suit to wholesalers.

H. RUTTONJE,
13, D'AGUIER STREET.
Hongkong, 10th December, 1894. [1322]

JUST OPENED.

**ANOTHER PARCEL (FRANKMANS' TUCK
AND SON'S XMAS AND NEW YEAR
CARDS in various designs and Great Variety.**

**XMAS SPECIALITIES
AND
SWEETS.**

**XMAS CAKES. XMAS SWEETS.
XMAS CRACKERS. XMAS FRUITS.
XMAS BOWERS. XMAS PLUM PUDDINGS.
CABURV'S ASSORTED CHOCOLATE SWEETS,
CALLARD'S BOWERS' TOFFEES
AND BUTTER SCOTCH.**

H. RUTTONJE, 13, D'AGUIER STREET.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1894. [1311]

**MEE CHEUNG,
PHOTOGRAPHER.**

**TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, IN
Lee-House Road.**

IS now in a position, in his New and Com-
modious Premises, to eclipse, as heretofore,
ALL PHOTOGRAPHIC ART PRACTICED
in the Colony or in any part of the Far East.
GROUPS AND VIEWS
a speciality.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1894. [1000]

AN APPEAL.

**THE SUPERIORESS OF THE ITALIAN
CONVENT, CAMS ROAD,** begs most
respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of
Hongkong and the Colonies, for their kind
patronage and support, and to state that
the will be pleased to receive orders for all
kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Customers' Shirts made to order, and Collars
and Cuffs removed on old ones.
Ladies' and Children's Under-clothing,
Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery,
Machine and by hand, if required.

The Superiress will also be most grateful for
any Pattern or old Garment to be made into
new for the Children of the Poor Schools, who
are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1895. [1000]

Intimations.

W. BREWER.

LETTERS on Whist by W. M. Deane, late
of Hongkong.
Sir Edwin Arnold's "Wandering Words."
When we were Strolling Players in the East,
by Louise Jordan Miln.
Podmore—Apparitions & Thought Transference.
Peck—The Constellations and how to find them.
Brown's Nautical Almanack, 1895.
Biotting Pad Diaries, 1895.
Lett's Diaries, 1895.
Smith's & Chas. Letts' Diaries, 1895.
All the Christmas Musical Nos.—Dance, Comic,
Minstrel.

PHILLIPS' Map of the China War.
Large Scale Map of North China.
Wachser's Map of North East China.
Royal Warrants, 1894.
Magic Lanterns in great variety; capital amuse-
ment for Children.
A Fine Collection of Mechanical and other Toys.
New Stock of Black Gut Tennis Balls.
Fine Leather Goods.
Photographic Materials.
Autographic Christmas Cards for local use.

**W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL.**

Hongkong, 3rd December, 1894.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "KREMLIN"
A. B. C. Code.

TELEPHONE,
No. 38.

BOARD AND LODGING

FROM \$5.00 PER DAY.

HYDRAULIC LIFT TO ALL FLOORS.

The HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH Conveys PASSENGERS and BAGGAGES to and from all
MAIL STEAMERS.

**R. TUCKER,
Manager.**

HOTEL CHAMBERS.

BOARD AND LODGING

FROM \$80 PER MONTH.

ROOMS TO LET on 2ND and 3RD FLOORS, FURNISHED or UNFURNISHED.

Apply to
**R. TUCKER,
Manager.**

**R. LYALL,
Secretary.**

Hongkong, 21st September, 1894.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

SHIPCHANDLERS, SAIL-MAKERS, &c.

SUPPLIES OF ALL KINDS OF
SHIP AND ENGINE STORES
OF BEST BRANDS.

**AGENTS FOR:—
INTERNATIONAL COMPOSITION FOR SHIPS' BOTTOMS.
PRICE'S SPECIAL ENGINE and CYLINDER OIL.
BELL'S SPECIAL ENGINE and CYLINDER OILS.
PURE FRESH WATER SUPPLIED**

LANE CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1894.

TELEPHONE No. 97. [1125]

**CENTRAL HOTEL,
SHANGHAI.**

Electric Lighting

throughout

the Premises.

Telegraphic Address:—

"CENTRAL"

SHANGHAI

THIS long-established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river in the
centre of the Settlements, is now fitted with the latest modern improvements, including Bath
and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid
on, DOUCHE, SHOWER, SPRAYS, etc., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

COMMODIOUS RECEPTION ROOM FOR VISITORS.

SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.

An Assistant attends on Passengers by Mail Steamers.

N.B.—Special reduced charges may be arranged for on application to the Manager.

F. E. REILLY,

PROPRIETOR.

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

THE CHINA-JAPAN WAR.

BACON'S WAR MAP—Price 60 cents. The best yet published. Every place that has been
mentioned in the Newspapers in connection with the War will be found on reference.

**THE CHINA-JAPAN WAR—On account of the Great Naval Battle of Hailuogang, compiled
from Official and other sources, with numerous colotype illustrations. Several of the
photos were taken on board the Saito Maru during the engagement.—Price \$2.**

PHILLIPS MAP OF THE SEAT OF WAR—60 cents.

CARLES LIFE IN KOREA.

Capt. CAVENDISH'S KOREA AND THE SACRED WHITE MOUNTAIN.

PHILLIPS' AUTHENTIC MAP OF CHINA.

STANFORD'S LARGE SCALE MAP OF CHINA.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1894.

**HONGKONG TIMBER
YARD, WANCHAI.**

REGON PINE SPARS and LUMBER
Always on Hand.

L. MALLORY

Intimations.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875,
the Undermentioned BANKS will be
CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business
on THURSDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 25th
and 26th instant respectively:—
For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA,
A. C. MARSHALL,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

For the BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE
STRAITS, LIMITED, HONGKONG,
CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.

For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

For the MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA,
LIMITED,
JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE,
Hongkong Agency,
EMILE MAVER,
Manager.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1894. [1320]

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATIONS.

No. 61.

NOTICE is hereby given that TUESDAY
next, the 25th instant, and TUESDAY,
the 1st January, 1895, will be OBSERVED AS
HOLIDAYS at the Kowloon Customs Office.
WORK at the Opium Examination Office
and Customs Stations WILL PROCEED as
usual.

H. ELGAR HOBSON,
Commissioner of Customs
for Kowloon and District.

Custom House,
Kowloon, 19th December, 1894. [1321]

**THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL
TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the TENTH
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING
of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Com-
pany will be held at the Registered Offices of
the Company 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central,
on THURSDAY, the 27th day of December,
at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report
of the General Managers with a Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 30th November,
1894.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 23rd to 25th instant,
both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1894. [1305]

THE PHARMACY.

"TANSAN" "TANSAN" "TANSAN"

THE NEW JAPANESE TABLE WATER.
Recommended by leading Medical Men in
Hongkong and China.

Analytical report by ARTHUR HILL HASSALL,
M.D., and EDWIG GODWIN CLAYTON, F.I.C.,
F.C.S., London, shows that it contains 8 per
cent. more iron carbonate than any water from
similar Sources.

"TANSAN" "TANSAN" "TANSAN"

Sole Agents for Hongkong and South China.
FLETCHER & Co.,
The Pharmacy,
25, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 10th November, 1894. [128]

"DERMATOL."

MANUFACTURED by FAREWELL,
HOCHET & Co., its effect in stimulating
the closing up of WOUNDS, and in internal
administration against diarrhoea, is described as
amazing.

**D. R. KNORR'S
ANTIPYRINE.**

(DOSE FOR ADULTS 15 TO 35 GRAINS TWICE.)

Is the most approved and most efficacious
remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE,
NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER,
TYPHUS, INFLUENZA, DENGUE, ERYSI-
PELAS, HOOPING COUGH, and many other
complaints. It is also the very best Antiseptic.
Highly recommended by the Medical Faculty.
Ask for Dr. KNORR'S ANTIPYRINE! Each
Tin bears the inventor's signature "Dr.
KNORR" in red letters.

To be had at every reputed Chemist and
Druggist.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China
Export Import and Bank Company,
Bovars of various institutions.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1894. [1445]

FLOUR.

IF YOU WANT GOOD BREAD
USE

SPEY'S MILLS

BAKERS' FLOUR

STRENGTHENED CALIFORNIA
MILL, FRANKFORD OFFICE
124 CALIFORNIA STREET.

on the 25th instant, and all claims must be
sent in to the Office of the Underigned, before
NOON on the 25th instant, or they will not be
recognised.

All losses, claims, and damaged Goods are to
be sent in to the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 25th instant, at 4 p.m.

We have the pleasure to announce that the
Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 25th
instant, will be subject to sale.

Effect of Lading will be countermanded by
SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1894. [1300]

Intimations.

WANTED.

LIMELIGHT WORKS.

WANTED A Person able to make GAS
and work LIMELIGHT every Evening
at D'ARCS MARIONETTES.

Apply to
E. CLITHEROW,
Hongkong Hotel.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1894. [1314]

WANTED.

ONE or TWO BARMAIDS; those Playing
the Piano preferred. A liberal salary to
competent persons. Travelling expenses will
be refunded.

Apply by letter, enclosing Photo to
THE PROPRIETOR,
"LA CONCORDIA,"
Escalote No. 1,
Manila.

Manila, 14th December, 1894. [1315]

TO SHIPMASTERS.

CAPTAIN F. H. PLUMMER,
(LATE OF THE PATAGONIAN NAVY.)
**THE OLDEST STEVEDORE IN
MANILA.**

STEVEDORE AND CONTRACTOR.

COALS and all kinds of STORES
SUPPLIED on the shortest notice and on
the most reasonable terms.

Manila, 5th October, 1895. [1055]

TO SHIPMASTERS.

STEAM WATER-BOAT COMPANY.

THE Underigned are prepared to SUPPLY
on shortest notice any quantity of PURE
FRESH FILTERED WATER for both DECK
and BOILERS.

The only Company in Hongkong exclusively
supplying FILTERED WATER.
Despatch Guaranteed. Call Flag "W."
J. W. KEW & Co.,
18, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 17th November 1894. [1605]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

"WARRACK" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

Announcements.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED
A CONSIGNMENT OF
ILFORD DRY
PLATES,1/4, 1/2, 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64,
and are offering the same at popular prices.SENSITIZED ALBUMENIZED
PAPER,
1 pt. in dia.
CHEAP AND RELIABLE.DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co., LD.,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG,
Hongkong, 13th October, 1894.THE
HONGKONG
DISPENSARYHas received by the S.S. Sydney and from
other sources the Very Latest NoveltiesCHRISTMAS CARDS
AND
NEW YEAR CARDS.

Comprising—

JAPANESE and ENGLISH CARDS, hand-
painted and of Artistic Designs; JAPANESE
VIEWS, VIEWS OF HONGKONG and TYPES
of NATIVE CHARACTER,

Also,

FURTHER SUPPLIES

Ex S.S. Ramah and Canton of
WHOLESALE CONFECTIONERY

AND

DELICIOUS SWEETS.

These Shipments include—

CADBURY'S SPECIAL CREMES,
PATE D'APRICOTS, JORDAN ALMONDS,
CARMELS, PRALINES,
CHOCOLATE, OYSTERS,
DESSERT CHOCOLATE,
BUTTER SCOTCH, ALMOND ROCK,
EVERTON TOFFEE, ASSORTED TOFFEE,
FRY'S CHOCOLATES,
MIXED BONBONS, NOUGAT,
TANGERINE BISCUITS,
ORANGE PASTE, ROLLS,
&c., &c., &c.

Together with

FANCY BOXES,

which are very suitable for Seasonable Presents
for LADIES and CHILDREN.

AND

FRENCH CONFECTIONERY

AND

CONSERVES,

from the very best Parisian Houses including—

FRUIT JELLIES, PARISIENS,
CRYSTALLISED APRICOTS, CHERRIES,
GREENGAGES, &c.,
In large Assortment.A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
Hongkong, 17th November, 1894.

DEATH.

At Shanghai, on the 15th December, BOH
POPP, Lower Yangtze Pilot, aged 44 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1894.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held
this afternoon. There were present:—The
Governor, Sir William Robinson; Mr. J. H.
Stewart Lockhart (Registrar-General and Acting
Colonial Secretary); Mr. W. M. Goodman
(Attorney-General); Mr. W. M. Ramsey, R.N.
(Harbour Master); Mr. N. G. Mitchell-Innes
(Colonial Treasurer); Messrs. J. E. Keewick, Dr.
Ho Kai, A. McCoskie and E. R. Bellion,
unofficial members; and Mr. J. G. T. Buckle,
Acting Clerk of Council.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read
and confirmed.

THE STAMP ORDINANCE.

When the Council adjourned on Monday the
draft of the amended Stamp Ordinance was left
to committee and it was therefore the first item
on the "orders of the day" at the meeting held
this afternoon.The Attorney-General explained the reasons
for certain alterations in Article 29, adding
that they had been made to meet the views of
the insurance companies and the commercial
community generally. He then moved that the
Bill be read a third time and passed.The Colonial Treasurer seconded and the Bill
was read and passed *unanimously*.THE TELEGRAPH MONOPOLY BILL.
Mr. A. McCoskie moved the third reading
of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance to secure in
the insurance companies and the commercial
community generally, the rights of property in
telegraphic messages, and to prevent the forgery
and improper disclosure of telegrams."Mr. J. E. Keewick seconded.
The Attorney-General said he had only heard
within the last hour or two of some opposition
against the Bill.desire on the part of the Government to push
the measure through the House with undue
 haste. He had heard that a gentleman desired
to memorialize the Secretary of State on the
subject, and he thought that were the usual
subsidy clause added to the Bill, it would
prevent the measure becoming law until
his Excellency the Governor was notified that
Her Majesty had not been advised to disallow
it—that would give due time for representations
to the Secretary of State. The Bill might,
however, now be read a third time and passed
with the usual subsidy clause. That would prevent it
"hanging fire" at the present stage.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

The Bill, with the addition of a suspending
clause, was then read a third time and passed
unanimously.

AN URGENT MEASURE.

His Excellency said he had excused the
absence of Mr. F. A. Cooper, Director of Public
Works, because he was engaged at a meeting of
the Sanitary Board where the new Public Health
Bill was being considered. He thought it very
undesirable that the passing of that important
measure should be delayed and proposed to hold
a special meeting of the Council on Saturday
afternoon to pass it.Dr. Ho Kai thought Monday a more suitable
day.The Colonial Secretary deplored any delay.
The draft Bill had been in the hands of members
for about two months. It was an important
measure, and he thought that there would be
two public holidays next week and the week
following it was advisable to dispose of the Bill
this week.The Attorney General emphatically endorsed
Mr. Lockhart's sentiments. As far back as
October last—he returned to the colony on the
22nd October—the Bill had been read a second
time and published in the *Gazette*. He had
drafted and re-drafted the Bill over and over
again in to try and make it clear to the members
of those who had made special representations
on the subject. In so doing he had considered
the views of Mr. Chater, the Housing Com-
mittee and others, as well as the views of
the Sanitary Board. A great deal of time
had been wasted, and he now felt bound to
plead urgency for the measure. It was impos-
sible to please everybody, and he regretted
to have to say it, but there were undoubtedly
some people who had property in the area
affected by the Bill (the "Forbidden City" and
other four parcels) who had more regard for
their property than for the health of the
community. The Sanitary Board, on the
other hand, was doing its best to watch the
interests and protect the health of the whole
community, and his recommendations would
be most carefully considered when they returned
the Bill, probably to-night. Something must
be done in the matter promptly, and at all events,
if the measure were not perfect, yet it could be
passed and amended at some future time, if
necessary. The Bill had been a long time in
the hands of the unofficials.

ADJOURNMENT.

His Excellency then adjourned the Council
till Saturday at 2 p.m.

TELEGRAMS.

THE ORIENTAL WAR.

LONDON, December 19th.
The Japanese have attacked and captured
Takubokuin and Hal-cheng; the Chinese retired
to Liao-yang.[Liao-yang is about 70 miles S.W. of Mou-
den, and Hal-cheng is about the same distance
from and almost due east of Newchwang—
Ed., H.K. Telegraph.]

CHINESE GENRAIS IN TROUBLE.

Chinese Imperial Decrees have ordered the
arrest of numerous generals in connection with
the loss of Port Arthur and Tien-tsin.

RATHER LIKE A WHALE.

A'miral Ting has been arrested for cowardice
in failing to protect Port Arthur.[This news requires a lot of confirmation, in view
of the fact that this is about the fifth time since
the war broke out that reports of the degrada-
tion of Admiral Ting owing to alleged cowardice,
have been telegraphed to the uttermost parts
of the earth—Ed., H.K. Telegraph.]

EGYPTIAN AFFAIRS.

The Budget report to the Egyptian Council
states that the condition of the fellahs is
desperate owing to over taxation.

RESULT OF THE MANCHESTER

NOVEMBER HANDICAP.

LONDON, November 24th.
The MANCHESTER NOVEMBER HANDICAP
of 1500 sovs.; winners (selling prices excepted)
after the weights are declared 5lbs., twice or
once of 500 sovs. 10lbs. extra; the second to
receive 100 sovs. out of the plate; entrance 5
sovs. the day liability if declared, and 10 sovs.
in addition if not struck out or 5 sovs. for
starters. Cup Course (one mile and six
furlongs) (52 entries).Captain Maclellan's b.c. Ravensbury, by
Icomomy—Penitent, 4 years. H. Barker, 1
Mr. E. D. Gosling's b.c. Gleamaway, by Child
of the Mist—Martyr, 4 years. T. Loates, 3
Mr. T. Jennings' b.c. Cyprus, by Carlton—
Queen of Cyprus, 4 years. A. White, 5
(Winner trained by J. Jewell, Newmarket.)
Retting: 20 to 1 against Ravensbury.
Won by a length and a half, nineteen runs.

THE BUTCHERY AT PORT ARTHUR.

(Special to Shanghai Mercury).

YOKOHAMA, December 14th.
Having made further enquiry in regard to the
persistent reports of the slaughter of civilians at
Port Arthur by the Japanese troops, I have now
received information from headquarters at
Hiroshima that in the first place there were a
large number of soldiers who had deserted from
the forts with their arms and ammunition and
had discarded their uniforms and were dressed as
civilians. Most of these who were killed were
disguised as the above mentioned soldiers and
the greater part of the civilians
civilians and soldiers had strict orders to resist
the Japanese troops, therefore these kept on
firing long after the virtual capture of Port
Arthur, fearing they would be taken pri-
soners by the Japanese and treated after the
Chinese own barbarous fashion, therefore they
resisted. Besides all this the Japanese soldiers
had seen the enormous mutilation of
their own countrymen before entering Port
Arthur, and on entering the town there
were exposed to their gaze, many hands
of their comrades who had been taken
prisoners by the Chinese stuck on poles
from civilians' residences. The Minister of War
from his way to visit Port Arthur, and when he
arrives there he will probably make the fullest
enquiry into the matter, when those who are
found guilty will be arrested. The Japanese
Government has determined to punish whoever
is found guilty of committing atrocities.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamship
Empress of India, arrived at Vancouver on
Wednesday morning.A FORMIDABLE-LOOKING Chinese torpedo boat,
accompanied by a Celestial gunboat, arrived here
this morning from Canton.THE GERMAN STEAMER *Deutscher*, 1850 tons, has
been chartered for the China coasting trade for
twelve months at \$6000 per annum.A DANCER, which promises to prove a very plea-
sant *variety*, will be given at the Institute of
Engineers and Shipbuilders to-morrow evening.FOR uttering a counterfeit dollar in a shop in
China-town recently, a Celestial bricklayer was
sent "aloft" for six months by Mr. Hastings at the
Magistracy this morning.ON Saturday evening the members of the City
Club will entertain Mr. Charles Grant (late
President of that popular institution) and give
him the hearty "send off" which he so richly
deserves.AT a meeting of the Sanitary Board this after-
noon the draft of a Bill designed to make much-
needed provision for the health of the Colony,
was considered *in extenso* and returned to the
Governor.A REGULAR meeting of the Ethen Mark Lodge,
No. 204, will be held in Freemasons' Hall,
Zetland Street, on Saturday, the 29th instant, at
5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are
cordially invited.RATES of freight, already fairly high, are advanc-
ing, (as far as the China coast, Tonkin, Siam
and Straits trade is concerned) by leaps and
bounds, and next spring will probably be higher
than for years past.THE adjourned Convocation of St. Andrew's
Chapter, No. 218, S.C., will be held in the Free-
masons' Hall, Zetland Street, to-morrow, at
8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting companions
are cordially invited.TO-MORROW evening Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C.,
will deliver an address on "Current opinion on
the China-Japan question and England's position
in regard thereto." Colonel Mulloy, C.R.E., will
take the Chair at 5 p.m.At the Regular Meeting of the Victoria Prece-
dents held yesterday afternoon, Sir Knight R.
Cooke was elected Eminent Preceptor for the
ensuing year, Sir Knight J. W. Kinghorn was
elected Treasurer, and Sir Knight J. Maxwell,
Guard.At 4 o'clock to-morrow afternoon the memorial
service at the Keelson Seamen's Institute, of
which that sterling friend of mine, the Rev.
A. G. Goldsmith, will be the moving spirit, will
be held by Mrs. Boyes. The attendance of
friends is cordially invited.NINE months' hard labour was the sentence
inflicted by Mr. Hastings at the Police Court
this morning on Chan Kung, a shop coolie
employed by Messrs. Cameron & Co., for
stealing from his employers \$51 in bank notes
and various articles from their store valued at
\$35.A CRICKET match between teams representing
the Shropshire Light Infantry and Rifle Brigade
was played on the Public Recreation Ground
yesterday afternoon. The Rifles proved
victorious by four wickets and 53 runs. The
scores were—Rifle Brigade, 171 for 8
wickets, innings declared closed; S. I. 118 runs.CHEUNG PONG, contractor, of Wellington Street,
was charged at the Police Court this morning for
allowing his men to deposit rubbish on the
forefront at Prince Consort on the 19th inst.
As the case was proved to the satisfaction of
Sergeant Phelps, and the defendant indulged in "fil-
ipstick" *ad lib.* Mr. Hastings imposed a fine of
\$50 on the man of means and silks and satin
gowns.THE annual inspection of the Hongkong Fire
Brigade took place this afternoon at the Central
Police Station. Mr. Woodhouse, Superintendent,
in a rather lengthy speech referred to the
able way in which the Brigade had with-
stood the fire, and thanked the members of
the Shropshire Light Infantry for the services
they had rendered to the Brigade. At the con-
clusion of the inspection the whole Brigade was
photographed.LAST night a dastardly attempt was made to
burn down the Magistracy and Police Court.
When the officers were on the 19th inst.
the place was found strewn with official documents
staturated with kerosene oil and partially burnt.
It appeared evident that an incendiary had
deliberately attempted to set fire to the Magis-
tracy, possibly with a view to setting fire to the
Gao, which is held by, and the police barracks.
The plan had, however, fortunately "mis-
fired." A coolie employed on the premises was
charged before Mr. Hastings at the Police Court
this morning, but no evidence material to the
issue was adduced, and the hearing was adjourned
until the 25th instant.SINCE the Rifle Brigade arrived here they have
been running wild, and complaints from Kow-
loon as to their behaviour are as plentiful as
apples in autumn. When three sheets in the
wind they are in some degree respectful and
their "Billingsgate" as shocking as it is
pleasant. Some of them refuse to pay for
ricksha fares, and even "cafes" at the hotels.
Two of these go by the names of Bitten and Wilder.
They had to face the music at the Police Court
this morning, charged respectively with dis-
orderly conduct and refusing to pay for drinks at
the Kowloon Hotel, and trespassing on the pre-
mises of Mr. F. W. W. Bitten was fined
\$5, one dollar being for liquor, while his "pal"
Wilder left the Court \$10 in the lurch.THE following will be Mr. Sangster's pro-
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HONGKONG BENEVOLENT
SOCIETY.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The fifth annual meeting of the Hongkong
Benevolent Society was held in the City Hall at
noon to-day. Mr. J. J. Keewick presided, and
there were also present the Rev. R. F. Cobbold,
Rev. A. G. Goldsmith, Captain G. C. Anderson,
Mr. H. E. Woodhouse, the Rht. Reverend
Bishop Burton, and a number of ladies, including
the members of the committee of management.In opening the proceedings the Chairman
said it afforded him, as it would any gentleman
in the community, great pleasure to preside.
The work of the society was to a great
extent unknown to the general public, but
he knew from facts laid before him
and from the annual report that it did a very
great deal of real good in a very unostentatious
manner. During the past year a number of
deserving persons, of various nationalities had,
through the Society, been sent on their way
relieving; some of them, in fact, helped into
positions of comparative prosperity. It was
extremely gratifying to know, through the
letters received from persons assisted, that the
patients of the committee were rewarded
with tokens of heartfelt gratitude. In all, fifty-
seven cases had been dealt with during the year,
one of them necessitating an outlay of \$300,
and there was now only a balance in hand of
\$320.22. He hoped, however, that there would
henceforth be an annual appeal for aid for their
brothers and sisters in distress and that the
speaker need not be made in vain. The
amount of good work had been done, and the
total working expenses only amounted to \$36.66,
which he thought was highly creditable. In
reference to previous remarks he said that one
of the persons assisted had refunded \$210 to the
Society.The report and accounts were then passed, on
the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. H.
E. Woodhouse.The Rev. R. F. Cobbold proposed a vote of
thanks to the Chairman, and in so doing men-
tioned that he agreed with the late Lord Mayor
of London who averred that the relief of the
poor had, in recent years, been raised to the
dignity of a science, and he was convinced that
the Hongkong Benevolent Society's work, which
was carried on with extreme care and caution,
was worthy of being considered a science, for
none of its funds were wasted, while the real
good accomplished was alike remarkable and
invaluable to those whose cases were taken up.The vote of thanks to Mr. Keewick was then
carried by acclamation.The Rev. A. G. Goldsmith, was the next
speaker, and he proposed a very cordial vote
of thanks to the ladies forming the Committee.
He was rejoiced to learn that the society had
been able to assist one case to the extent of
\$300, for it was evidence that the party assisted
must have been in great need, and but for this
Society might have suffered terrible hardships.
The skill exhibited by the Committee in dis-
criminating between the tares and the wheat was
worthy of the highest commendation.Mr. G. Sharp, in responding, said the ladies
should be especially thanked for their benevolent
services and were entitled to the cordial thanks
and co-operation of all the gentlemen who were
members of the Society.The proceedings were then brought to a fitting
conclusion by a vote of thanks to the ladies
being carried by acclamation.

MARINE ENGINEERS IN SESSION.

MR. J. KYLES ON WORKSHOP PRACTICE.

At a well attended meeting of members of the
Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders last
night, Mr. John Gilles (President) in the
chair, Mr. John Kyles read a paper (one of a
series of contributions to the "Workshop Prac-
tice" competition) on "Workshop Practice."
The writer, who was loudly applauded as he
stepped forward to read his paper, said:—The subject I have chosen for this paper is
"Workshop Practice" which I fear will not
prove so interesting to the Members of this
Institution as a paper on the modern marine
engine, or the latest type of marine boilers. But
the subject of both depends to a great extent
on the soundness of the workmanship, I hope
you will bear with me while I attempt to show
you the facilities we now have as compared with
twenty-five years ago. The advancement has
been slow to our eyes, no doubt, but the progress
has been steadily going on not only in one
department but in every branch of engineering.When we look at the railway speed of our
steamers, and the high working pressure of steam
engines, we must admit that the workmanship
of engineering was good workmanship necessary
for the safety of life and property. To be equal
to the requirements of the day, machinery has
been introduced into the workshop capable of
producing work of the highest order. Before
dealing with the most modern machines, allow
me to draw your attention to the lathe which
may be justly termed the most important of all
metal cutting tools, not only on account of the
rapidity of its work, which is due to its cutting
continuously, but also to the great variety of
work it can perform. Many operations usually
performed by the planing machine may be more
efficiently executed by the lathe; at times it is a
matter for consideration whether the lathe or the
planing machine is the best to use for the
purpose.The lathe is the oldest machine tool. The
first we read of was used by the Hucules, a
remnant of an old Asiatic nation who used it for
turning articles in wood. I will now show a
model of this machine of primitive construction;
it will be seen that with such a lathe no cutting
operation can be performed while the work is
rotating backwards and during the period of rest
the cutting tool is liable to move and not likely
to meet the cut properly when recommencing.
In the first idea of turning you will observe a
spindle or lathe was used, and from this lathe was
probably derived the term lathe for a turning
machine at the present day. By the invention
of the modern lathe the lathe at the present day,
such as I saw at the Paris Exhibition for turn-
ing the 8-ton guns, I will now go on with the
various forms of lathes which have appeared in
my time; first, the heel tool lathe. This tool was
chiefly used for roughing-down work, the graver
and other hand tools finished it, this tool is not
in use now on account of the greater expedition
of work held by the slide rest lathe. The present
day lathes may be classified as follows:—The
slide rest lathe, bed rest lathe, screw cutting
lathe, chuck lathe, and the modern triple geared
lathe. Mr. Nalimitt, the inventor of the
steam hammer, brought out a patent combin-
ing the screw cutting and self acting, the
slide rest lathe, and the self acting lathe, at
the back, which was a good idea; it not only
saves time in the changing of wheels, but it
keeps the screw from wearing so quickly
near the face plate where most of the work is
done. The lathe can be wrought as a screwing,
drilling, boring, or planing machine; it is a mis-
take to suppose a large lathe to be handy for all
kinds of work, for instance, one that is handyfor boring cylinders is not adapted for turning
propeller shafting; there is a great variety of work
going on in the same variety of machines ought
to exist. A face lathe with stool for slide rest is
the one used for pistons and cylinder covers.A high centre lathe is for cylinder boring,
and a strong triple gear lathe with two saddles
is best for propeller shafting. The 12" or 14"
centre lathe with long shears is for piston rods,
pistons, glands and neck bushes; it ought to
have shears about three feet long and have the
improved self-acting feed down the face. I must
say the modern machines that are in the market
are brought to great perfection, competition is
now so great that it forces the machine makers
to produce the most powerful and truest tool
that can be made. I do not intend to go into
details to show you how modern machines are
constructed, but I must say it is very interesting
to see automatic teeth-cutting machines at work,
each having six wheels cutting at once, and an
one tooth is finished the cutter stops till it turns
round to the next tooth, then commences cutting
again, no assistance being required from the
operator. The teeth are all cut. A number
of years ago a machine maker of eminence
made a compound boring and planing machine,
it was to plane large cylinders and bore
them without moving the cylinder. It suc-
ceeded in boring the cylinders very well, but
planing the valve faces was not satisfactory,
showing how difficult it is to get a combined
machine to do different classes of work. When
I was at home I told them that the large slotting
machine in Kowloon Dock also bored large
propellers, but in many conversations I do not
think I was believed, nevertheless it is true, and
bore them well. I will show you a drawing of
the boring bar that is now used, and also the
boring bar that was generally used years ago.The captain lathe is an improved screwing
machine and lathe combined, having a hollow
spindle through which the iron rod passes. The
head having five tools attached for roughing,
finishing and cutting off, all turned pins from
1 1/2 inches downwards can be finished much
quicker than by the old system in the ordinary
lathe, all studs are screwed, cut and finished
right off. I remember when those studs were
forged with counter-sunk collars, then turned
with the heel tool, the screwing machine
putting the thread on. Thus going through
three separate operations—now one does the
work from iron direct from the start. These
machines are well adapted for turning all the
pins for winches, cheese-headed screws for valve
faces, and counter-sunk head screws also
putting the screw on those bolts if required. I
will now show you a few sketches of work this
machine does.The large planing and slotting machine is a
splendid tool for heavy work; these machines
can slot the vertical parts of the main bearings
in a bed plate, then plane the horizontal with
moving the job, which keeps all the bearings
square with each other. Before these machines
were introduced this work was all done by hand,
by which, with time and hard labour, the job
was accomplished. These modern machines
make heavy chipping now a thing of the past.
Some firms make their main bearing brasses
round outside, in that case they are bored out
in the boring mill, and the bearings are turned
in the lathe; this style is much easier
machined, but I fear more difficult to
line up when required. The ordinary planing
machine has not improved much in my
time unless by coarser feeds. A great number
of machine makers have introduced inventions
for the tool of the planer to cut on the backward
stroke, in that case the workman does not
hear of them being generally used, which shows
that they have not superseded the good old
planer. The shaping or nibbling machine is a
very useful tool for light work. There is an
improved machine called the side planer, which
supercedes the ordinary planing for light work,
both as regards setting jobs and machining same.The milling machine is a tool of a high order;
this machine does a great deal of work in the
hand labour in the fitting shop, competition is
now so great it demands every day of manual
labour being taken into, and to ascertain if it is
not practical to get the same work done
by machinery. This machine can accomplish a
great variety of work not only done quickly but
well finished. It is good for any lathe work that
other machines cannot get at, and seems to
go wrong in giving these difficult jobs to the
milling machine.Drilling machines have been improved on
very much within the last few years back; in
some of the shops at home you will see a

